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In paragraph (b) of the Abstract, "training sets EA" should read "training sets EAj". A copy of the abstract as filed is attached to support this correction.

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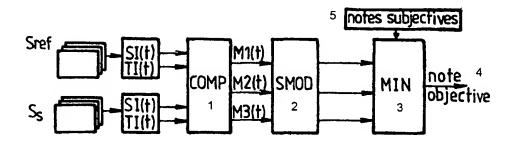
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(54) Titre: PROCEDE D'EVALUATION DE LA QUALITE DE SEQUENCES AUDIOVISUELLES



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- 2...SUMMING MODULE
- 3...MINIMIZATION OF DISTORSION
- 4...OBJECTIVE RATING
- 5...SUBJECTIVE RATINGS

(57) Abstract: The invention concerns a method for evaluating the quality of audio-visual sequences by: a training comprising the attribution of a subjective rating to each of  $N_0$  training sequences exhibiting degradations identified by a training vector assigned to each sequence according to a first vectoring process, to constitute a database consisting of  $N_0$  training vectors  $MO_i$  and subjective ratings  $NS_i$ ; classifying the training vectors into k classes of ratings based on the subjective ratings  $NS_i$  which have been attributed, to form k training sets whereto are attributed k significant ratings; establishing for said audio-visual sequence to be evaluated a vector according to said first vectoring process; attributing to the audio-visual sequence the significant training rating  $NSR_j$ , corresponding to the closest training set  $Ea_j$ .

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#### ABSTRACT

The invention provides a method of evaluating the quality of an audiovisual sequence by:

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- a) training, comprising allocating a subjective score  $NS_i$  to each of  $N_0$  training sequences  $S_i$  (where  $i=1,\ 2,\ \ldots,\ N_0$ ) presenting degradations identified by a training vector  $MO_i$  which is given to each sequence  $S_i$  in application of a first vectorizing method, in order to build up a database of  $N_0$  training vectors  $MO_i$  with subjective scores  $NS_i$ ;
- b) classifying the  $N_0$  training vectors  $MO_i$  into  $\underline{k}$  classes of scores as a function of the subjective scores  $NS_i$  that have been allocated to them, so as to form  $\underline{k}$  training sets  $EA_j$  (where j = 1, 2, ..., k) which have  $\underline{k}$  significant training scores  $NSR_j$  allocated thereto;
- c) for each audiovisual sequence to be evaluated, generating a vector MO using said first vectorization method; and
- d) allocating to the audiovisual sequence for evaluation the significant training score  $NSR_j$  that corresponds to the closest training set  $EA_j$ .